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BAGHDAD: BLACK JUNE CARRIED OUT ATTEMPT ON KHADDAM

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(TEXT) IN A STATEMENT RELEASED IN MADRID TODAY, THE BLACK JUNE ORGANIZATION HAS CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON THE LIFE OF THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND FOREIGN MINISTER OF THE SYRIAN REGIME, 'ABD AL-HALIM KHADDAM.

THE STATEMENT SAID THAT IN IMPLEMENTING INSTRUCTIONS OF THE ORGANIZATION ON THE NECESSITY OF PURSUING THE LEADERS OF THE TRAITOROUS REGIME OF DAMASCUS AND TO CARRY OUT THE PEOPLE'S DEATH SENTENCE AGAINST THEM, THE GROUP OF THE MARTYR ABU HASHISH PURSUED TRAITOR

'ABD AL-HALIM KHADDAM, MEMBER OF THE LEADERSHIP OF THE PARTY OF THE AUTHORITY AND DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND FOREIGN MINISTER, FOR A LONG TIME.

THE STATEMENT SAID THAT ON THE MORNING OF 1 DECEMBER, WHILE KHADDAM WAS ON HIS WAY TO HUNT (AS-SAYD) IN THE DAMASCUS GHAWTIAH WHERE HE IS ACCUSTOMED TO SPENDING HIS WEEKENDS, THE GROUP MANAGED TO OPEN FIRE AT HIM IN THE DUMMAR AREA OPPOSITE THE HOUSE OF MARTYR LEADER ABU 'ALI IYAD, AND ANNIHILATED THE CAR OF GUARDS ACCOMPANYING HIM. TRAITOR KHADDAM WAS SERIOUSLY INJURED. THE GROUP RETURNED SAFELY TO BASE.

THE STATEMENT SAID THAT IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THE OPERATION WAS CARRIED OUT IN PUBLIC, THE DAMASCUS AUTHORITIES WERE FORCED TO ADMIT IT. THE BLACK JUNE ORGANIZATION'S STATEMENT SAID THAT THE ORGANIZATION WILL CONTINUE TO PURSUE THE TRAITORS OF DAMASCUS AND AMMAN, AND THEY WILL NOT ESCAPE IT. THE ORGANIZATION ASSERTED THAT IT WILL CONTINUE ITS COURSE IN PUNISHING THE KILLERS, CRIMINALS AND THE PEOPLE'S EXECUTIONERS. THE ORGANIZATION ASSERTED THAT ALL FORMS OF PROTECTION AND SUPPORT GIVEN TO MEMBERS OF THE TERRORIST CLIQUE IN DAMASCUS BY THEIR MASTERS WILL NOT PROTECT THEM.

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